

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 10/629,380 Confirmation No. 6539  
Applicant : Kirk E. VANDEZANDE  
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TC/A.U. : 1631  
Examiner : ZHOU, Shubo  
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT**


**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.121**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant amendment dated May 9, 2007, applicant resubmits the response to the Office Action of July 31, 2006, as filed on January 2, 2007 with corrections concerning the paragraph added on page 9, line 1 which is now not underlined. No new matter was added. Please enter the remaining documents as filed in the Reply of January 2, 2007, such as the Substitute Specification, Clean Copy and Marked-up Copy.

Respectfully submitted,

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